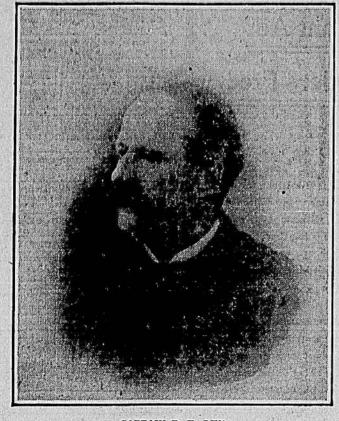
ES. By Gone Stratton-Porter, leday, Page & Company, New Bell Book & Stationery Com-Richmond.

ook is rather handleapped than y its name. Inferring from its t jt is but another of those tales clous and marvelous boyhood, you se likely to pass it by, and this well as the state of good story of a fresh and very winning sort and every reader with a soft spot in his heart, rather than in his head, will be touched and interested by it. Frechies himself was a plucky frish lad of twenty or thereabouts, of unknown name and lineage, and with a left arm ending in a useless stub, who, thanks to the kindness of Boss McLean, gets a job as lumber guard in the Michigan Limberlost, and what was even more remarkable under the circumstances, holds it in spito of everything. It was a rough job at best, not without danger, asd few able-hodled men would have had it at any price. In the woods Freekles had some perflows adventures with a few desperate fellows, whose ambition it was to cut down and haul away certain trees under his protection, that were worth a good many hundred dollars each; but the young guard proves his mettle, and McLean doesn't lose a tree. At one time two or three of the tree-robbers have him gagged and bound to a tree, and are wrangling over the question whether to inish him up then or later; when help strives in the most dramatic way in the world. In the woods, too Freekles mads the acquaintance of the Bird Woman and her charming young companion, the Swamp-Angel, an adventure in itself, and one that was to play far more memorable a part in his life than any of his others. in his heart, rather than in his head

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The tale is well written and contains descriptions of the woods and the four-footed and feathered trinchitants of the woods, that appear to spring from a thorough acquaintance with these things. The story is not faultless, and there are times when it rather falls short of carrying the render along with it. We cannot believe that it would be possible for a sixteon-year-old ghi to behave in all respects as the Angel did, or that it would be very attractive or lovable if it were possible. The case with which she walked straight into everybody's heart, and which led everybody, down to the rough men of the lumber camp, and up to Lord O More of Ireland, to fall down at her feet and worship the ground on which she trod so daintly, is a little ton good to be true. McLean's attitude toward the young man, and his emotional expressios of it, also appear a trifle overdone. And while we wished Freckies all the luck in the world in finding an ancestry that he would not be ashamed of, we would rave been giad if he could have managed to locate his parents without dipping into the nobility of the British Empire for them.

These and similar slight extravagances seem to be but the excesses of a heart overbubbling with sontiment, kindliness send good-will, and as such are not difficult to condone. Mr. Forter's ambition has plainly been to make mis favorite characters good and brave and tender and true, and in the ond to provide them with a happy and manifest destiny, and too much of these wholesome things is far better than too little. At any rate, we



remarkable reception in every section, is the youngest son of the great Condeferate whose full name he bears. He lived during his early boyhood at Arlington, the Lee mansion, near Washington. He was a student at the University of Virginia when the war broke out. Although his father Sharpsburg, the commanding general ordered his son's battery into action after it had retired. Since the war, Captain Lee has lived quietly on his farm at West Point, Va.

have to thank the author for a book the reading of which we have wholly enjoyed.

PHASES OF MODERN MUSIC. By Lawrence Gliman. Harper & Bros., New York. Bell Book & Stationery. Company. Richmond.

"Phases of Modern Music" is a series of short sketches of the work of some of the work of some of the work of some of the mails. Mr. Gliman is a triffe too much of a musical to write about the most of romantic music. Mr. Gliman is a distribution of the mails. Mr. Gliman is a triffe too much of a musical to write about the most of romantic music. Mr. Gliman is a triffe too much of a musical to write about the most of romantic music. Mr. Gliman is a triffe too much of a musical will give to his Jook a freshness. a fault gives to his Jook & Stationery Co., The Mr. Bell Book & Stationery Co., The Boll Book & Stationery Co., and he becomes a special pleader, not a judge. His sketch of Edward Elgar, the great English composer, is the best in the book. Here he shows himself a man with an intensely artistic temperature, and the head of the decent which ment a thorough knowledge of musical technique, a deep love for music and a syngment and the gives to his most devoted admirates in the first the decent which we have given Mr. James hay most distinctive position among our bookmen. That this ment a thorough knowledge of musical technique, a deep love for music and a syngment in the decent when the concept has the first the force them in the concept has a special pleader, not a fault gives to his gook a freshness, a triffe too much of a music clearly and impartially; but this fault gives to his own and impartially; but this fault gives to his Jook & Stationery Co. The most gives to his a triffe too much of a music clearly and impartially; but this fault gives to his Jook & Stationery Co. The man and the proper tentative and the late of th

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The Clark lectures delivered by Proessor Wendell at Trinity College, Camordige, in the winter of 1992-03 are herecommitted to covers; and the resultant

THE GIRL AND THE KAISER. By
Paulino Mackie Bradford. Published
by the Botbes-Merrill Company, of Indianapolis. For sale by the Bell Book
and Stationery Company.
After novels problematical, historical,
purposeful and divorceful, Miss Bradford's story seems refreshing and highly
readable. The heroine, a young GermanAmerican maiden, goes to Europe to visit
her uncle, an admiral in the Kaiser's
navy. She meets she German Emperor,
in her uncle's house and impresses him

average man can read with interest, though no woman, we imagine, would be attracted by it. It is rather a pseudo-historical sketch of resent-day business methods than a work of fiction, and the superimposed love story is conventional and inconsequential. A syncopated version of "The Buccanneers" will be recalled as a recent serial in the Saturday Evening Post.

THEOPHANO, By Frederic Harrison, 483 pp. \$1.50; Harper Bros., New York, Bell Book and Stationery Company,

Bell Book and Stationery Company, Richmond.

Mr. Frederic Harrison's first venture into the realm of fiction cannot be termed an unqualified success, "Theophano" is a tale of the crusade of the tenth century, the title character being a scheming and intriguing woman who becomes the wife of an emperor and thereby wickles a terrible power in the Roman empire. The descriptions and bits of local color are elaborately worked out, and apparently accurate, but the interest of the story as a story is lacking. It is learnedly, rather than readably written, and the author's erudition has a decided tendency to weigh down the narrative to the sinking point. Mr. Harrison is a scholar rather than a novelist, and "Theophano" is unmistakably the work of a scholar.

BRIGHT DAYS IN SUNNY LANDS. By A. V. D. Honeyman, 429 pages, \$1.75. Honeyman and Company, Plainfield.

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Mr. Honeyman has here written a companion book to his earlier volume on Bright Days in Morro England." The "bright days" referred to in the present volume were spent in Morocco, in Spuli, on the French and Italian Riviera, in Italy, Cuba and Mexico. The book thus includes a wide range of subject matter, affording both entertialment and instruction, and is a pleasant addition to the library of travel. One of the most interesting chapters is that dealing with the "Passion Play," at Oberanmergau, which the author saw twice in 1990, The volume is Illustrated with thirty full-page photogravures.

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RED HUNTERS. By Charles A. Eastman ('Ohlyesa'). 245 pages. \$1.55.
Harper & Bros., New York, Bell Book & Stationery Co., Elchmond.
These are stories of animal life by a full-blooded Sioux Indian, now a practicing physician among his own people. They are written in a simple and unaffected manner, and though told with an aye on what might be called the human side of the animal, are quite free from the sentimentality which has characterized somany books upon this thesis. Readers in terested in animal life, who feel in general a sort of kindred with the wild, will be ontertained and incidentally shformed by 'Ohlyesa's' tales.

The Christmas edition of "Love Finds the Way," the product of Paul Leleester Ford's pen, has been brought out by Dodd, Mead and Company, of New York, and is shown here by the Bell Book and distancery Company.

To the many who recall this Revolution ary romance, with sweet Phyllis Goelet as its herone, the story seems to have gained new warmth and color from the beauty of its noliday setting. Its covers of green and gold are decorated with a lovely misisted design. The marginal ornamentation of the pages is exquisivery done in color and shows all such oldiashloned flowers as phiox, apple blossoms, tulps, forget-me-nots and other oldiume garden blossoms. The flowers are very real, and their fragrance seems to exnale through the pages and match an old-time story of romantic love and devocition, which ended, as all such ought to in a happy marriage.

Harbingers of the Happy New Year are

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Harbingers of the Happy New Year are the Deimeater and the Designer, both magazines in which women have a living interest and toward which these thougaits are constantly turning. The Delineater table of contents shows contributions in story-making and illustration by Will Gree, Mrs. John Van Vorst, Henry J. Peck, Gustav Kobbe, Herbert D. Ward, Allan Sutherland, David E. Guyton, Ada M. Peck, Seumas McManus, Charles McJivaine, Alica M. Kellogg, L. F. Baum, Grace, M. Cocke, Lina Beard, Mrs. T. W. Birney, Mrs. Frank Learned, Dr. Eleanor Rogers, Isabel G. Curtis, A. W. Morrison Margaret Hill, Ward McLeod, H. M. Winslow and Priscilla Wakefield.

The Designer, in attractive New Year's guise, is indebted for its make-up to Laura, R. Schile, Martha Kinsman, Temple Balley Harvey Peake, J. J. Knox, Sarah Comstock, C. S. Thomas, Mary Kilsyth, Bertha Hasbarek, Livingston Larned, A. S. Moran, L. B. Cook, A. Albion, A. R. Chubb, Aline D. Cardeva, M. W. Park, Mary Dawson and others.

The departments in each, turning on all various subjects where woman's thoughts and activities are directed furnish a great deal in the way of bright suggestion and social practical advice, for which the feminine world should be eternally grateful

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bring tears to the eyes of every boy and girl. A Christmas-day reconciliation of husband and wife is the motive of Mrs. C. N. Williamson's clever story,

"Mrs. Ogilvy's Christmas Party." There will be other bright stories, and the color front page, "The Light of the World," will be found an especially artistic one.

Pages of Santa Claus Letters.

The Santa Claus letter box closed last night. But thousands of letters had been received. These will be printed Sunday and will fill several pages. Nearly every home in the city and many outside will be interested in these letters.

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